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*A Man, A Dream, and A Reality*

# The President's Page

We have just celebrated Founders Day of Gardner-Webb College in this Golden Anniversary year of its history. Fifty years lie in the background. The written story of that time has just gone to press. It is not simply to rejoice and praise the achievements of the past that we celebrate the Golden Anniversary; but to pause on this brink of tomorrow and gird ourselves for the greater achievements ahead.

We cannot solve the problems of tomorrow with the tools and methods of today.

The need for expansion of physical facilities in state supported schools to meet the demands of increased enrollments is going to force government aid to education. The government already has a number of schools in competition with state and private systems. Usually government aid means government control.

Private, church-related colleges cannot get government aid. Church-related colleges will have to depend upon their churches for support. If the churches cannot or will not support them, they must either close or turn to private capital and their alumni for their support. Control usually goes with support.

Furthermore, the state is soon going into a program of developing a system of state supported community junior colleges. In fact it already has three in operation. State supported junior colleges when started grow far more rapidly than private ones. California has 67 publicly supported junior colleges with an enrollment of 296,564. It has six private and denominational ones with a total enrollment of 554. Here then is pointed up a crux of the problem of the church-related and private junior colleges. Its only hope of survival in competition with the government and state supported system is to offer a unique and particular service of distinctive quality especially to its denomination that will justify its continuation. A teacher and pupil are yet the heart of the educational process, but in our day they are not enough. The schools must be provided necessary equipment or they become second rate non accredited institutions

which means death. We can lose our colleges by dropping into mediocrity just as certainly as by forfeiture of financial obligations. When a school dies, it will make little difference of what disease. If our people can realize this and provide the needed minimum facilities; and if we can further realize that the atmosphere of learning and dedication possible in a church-related college cannot be had equally elsewhere, and that such an atmosphere is necessary for the training of denominational leadership, our colleges will survive and as a result our denomination will continue to advance.



Dr. Philip Lovin Elliott

P. L. ELLIOTT.



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Mabel Padgett ----- Alumni President

Margaret Dellinger ----- Vice-President

Mrs. Dorothy W. Hamrick ---- Sec.-Treas.

John Roberts ---- Editor of the Quarterly

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## Student Enrollment Hits Peak At 481

Gardner-Webb reached a new high of 481 students this fall. This represents an increase of 41 over last fall's enrollment, and a growth in numbers of 110 in the past two years.

The students come from nine states, and represent 39 counties in North Carolina. Cleveland County has the highest representation with 171 students enrolled. Rutherford is second with 81 and Gaston follows with 51.

Of the regularly enrolled students, 105 are sophomores and 328 are freshmen, with 32 specials. Men number 299 to 166 women. The totals round out to 481 by adding those studying in night classes at the college.

The cover picture represents a man, a dream, and a reality. The picture was made just after groundbreaking ceremonies on Founders Day for the new Physical Education building and swimming pool.

As the crowd scattered, President Elliott lifted another shovel of earth and watched it sift slowly to the ground.

"We have worked and waited a long time for this building," he remarked, and went on to point out its value to the college's educational program. The building will be more than a "gym." It will be a recreation center for the college and community as well. The adjacent pool will be used by summer encampments, summer school students, and local youngsters, and will eventually be enclosed for physical education purposes.

In the building's design a clever bit of planning provides a band room that can be converted into a stage by removing collapsible partitions, and folding chairs brought onto the playing floor can provide seats for an audience of 3,000. Another interesting feature is a service kitchen, making it possible to have banquets for as many as a thousand people in the building.

All this is far removed from the days of the old frame gym, later rock veneered, that stood near the present library. That structure served a valuable purpose, and itself represented a stride forward from the time of outdoor playing courts.

We believe the picture represents the dreams, prayers, and hopes of all former students, that Gardner-Webb College may have facilities in every department equal to those found anywhere.

## Dr. T. C. Holland Dies

Dr. Thomas Cleveland Holland, instructor in Latin and a member of the class of 1910, died on Sept. 7 as a result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident on August 23.

A native of the Cleveland-Rutherford area near Boiling Springs, Dr. Holland was one of the first students enrolled when the institution opened. He continued his education at Wake Forest College and earned a doctor of theology degree at Southern Baptist Seminary.

For a number of years Dr. Holland was a teacher and pastor in this area, and spent a decade as a missionary in the Carribean. He later spent several years as an Army chaplain, retiring in 1946. He joined the Gardner-Webb faculty in 1948 as instructor in Spanish, and later added Latin to his teaching schedule.

His students, fellow teachers, and friends knew Dr. Holland as a devoted Christian, dedicated scholar, and conservative and well mannered gentleman.

## Barnett on Faculty

In our August issue we published pictures and brief biographical sketches of our 10 new faculty members. Included was a picture of Richard Barnett, but the paragraph about him was omitted in printing.

He is assistant professor of history. A graduate of Wake Forest College and the University of North Carolina, Prof. Barnett was discharged from the Army in August after a tour of duty in Europe. A native of Asheville, he is a son of Mrs. Helen C. Barnett, former counselor for girls.

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Gardner-Webb has fielded a football team each year since 1921 except during World War II.

## David Pressley Memorial

### Fund Reaches \$603

The David Pressley Memorial student loan fund has now reached \$603. The fund is on deposit, and its income is available for loan to worthy students.

The fund was established last spring after Pressley met his death in an automobile accident on Easter Sunday. Most of the contributions so far have come from students and faculty members. Donations are continuing to come in from his former classmates.

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Dr. Philip L. Elliott lacks one year having served the college as long as the combined tenures of the six preceding presidents.

# Our Alumni President Speaks

Dear Fellow Alumni:

A vital link has just been placed in the chain of important events slated for the Golden Anniversary year of our college. With the observance of Founders Day and Homecoming came the ground breaking for a new Physical Education plant, which surely will prove to be one of Gardner-Webb's most valuable assets. One cannot deny that healthy bodies, along with sound minds, will play a tremendous role in equipping the student of today to cope with the complexities he will face tomorrow.

As we see the work beginning on this Physical Education plant, we see a climax of steady growth at our college. Within the past ten years we have witnessed the completion of a modern dormitory for girls, a student center, a boys' dormitory, a library, a health center, and just this year the second dormitory for girls has become a reality.

Along with these signs of growth we realize the increased interest in our college. More people read about, hear about, and know about our college, its hopes, its needs, and its plans for continuing its progress through the coming years.



MISS PADGETT

Since progress is the keynote of the times, it is quite fitting, I think, that we look back at past progress and take courage for the present task and that of the future. You will remember that two years ago, we, the Alumni, wanting to have a part in the future of our college, accepted a goal of \$100,000 toward the erection of an Alumni Memorial building, which is the new Physical Education plant. I trust that through our concerted efforts we may reach, and even exceed, this goal for such a necessary and worthwhile addition to the college campus.

MABEL PADGETT



# Life With The Alumni

## CLASS OF 1909

*Sedalia Gold Gold* (Mrs. J. M.) is a house mother at the University of North Carolina. She attended Southside Female Institute in Chase City, Va., and took a dietetic course at the University of North Carolina during World War II.

## CLASS OF 1921

*Robert N. Hawkins* is an agent for Metropolitan Insurance Co. in Shelby, with 24 years of service. He is married and has one son, Bobby, who is teaching in Raleigh.

## CLASS OF 1923

*Johnnie Maie McBrayer Ware* (Mrs. Wayne) of Boiling Springs received the master of arts degree from Appalachian on August 23.

## CLASS OF 1925

*Matt J. Stroud* of Ellenboro is employed as assistant manager of the Men's Department at Wray's in Shelby. He has been at Wray's for five years.

## CLASS OF 1929

*Hallie Frances McCardwell* of Mooresboro received the master of arts degree from Appalachian on August 23.

## CLASS OF 1931

*Ima Carpenter Seagle* (Mrs. Leslie W.) is a housewife at Lawndale.

## CLASS OF 1932

*Bertie Bridges Blalock* (Mrs. Gordon) of Mooresboro received the master of arts degree from Appalachian on August 23.

## CLASS OF 1938

*Carolyn Hamrick* of Boiling Springs attended Asheville Teachers College and for several years has been a teacher at Shanghai School in Cleveland County.

## CLASS OF 1939

*Robert Calton* is in Spartanburg where he is employed in the office of Taylor-Colquitt Co. Mrs. Calton is the former *Alice Suzanne Elliott*. They have three young children.

*Margaret Tedder Eisenberger* (Mrs. H. E.) of Lancaster, Pa., works at the Lancaster District Office of the Social Security Administration. She and her husband have a son, Stephen, 9.

*Rev. Leon H. Hollingsworth* is pastor of First Baptist Church in Boone, and retired this fall as moderator of Three Forks Baptist Association.

*Mr. and Mrs. Vetas Guy Blanton* (Irene Roberts) announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Anne, on August 13. They also have a young son, David.

## CLASS OF 1940

*Rev. A. A. Bailey*, pastor of First Baptist Church in Bessemer City, was re-elected moderator of Gaston Baptist Association in the 38th annual session which closed October 24.

## CLASS OF 1941

*Myrtle Lee Reynolds Greene* (Mrs. Baxter) lives in Shelby. She and Baxter have three children.

*State Senator and Mrs. Robert F. Morgan* of Shelby announce the birth of a daughter on September 8.

## CLASS OF 1942

*Rev. E. B. Hicks*, pastor of Eastside Baptist Church in Shelby, was elected moderator of Kings Mountain Baptist Association at the closing session of the 106th annual meeting on October 26.

## CLASS OF 1943

*B. Adele Justice* of Fallston attended Appalachian and is a primary teacher in Cleveland County.

*Bonnie Roberts* of Shelby is now minister of music and education at First Baptist Church in Mayodan. She holds degrees from the Carver School of Missions and the School of Church Music in Louisville, Ky.

## CLASS OF 1945

*Colleen Hill* of Shelby and *Joseph E. Kilsheimer* of Leonia, N. J., were married at St. Mary's Catholic Church on August 18. They are now living in Philadelphia, Pa., where he is a student at Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania.

## CLASS OF 1946

*Mr. and Mrs. Carl Edgar Jolley* (Joyce Digh '50) are now living in Lawndale where Carl is a pharmacist. Joyce is teaching in Polkville School, Cleveland County.

## Life With The Alumni (Cont'd.)

### CLASS OF 1947

*Rev. E. O. Gore* is pastor of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church near Boone. His church was host in August to the Three Forks Baptist Association.

*Jean Saunders Fowler* (Mrs. Harold B.) of Chesnee, S. C., is a teacher at Chesnee High School. She and Harold have a daughter, Kathy, 5. Harold is an accountant.

### CLASS OF 1948

*Newton R. N. Hardin* of Southmont is pastor of the Holloways-Stoner's Grove Baptist Church fields. He is married to the former *Betty Audrey Smith '47* and they have two sons, Randall Wayne, 5; and Lonnie Allison, 6 months.

*Paul Gene Clark* and Helen Elizabeth Castevens of Shelby were married in First Baptist Church on August 11. Paul is employed by Ormand and Vaughn Architects in Shelby.

*Rev. R. Claxton Hall* is pastor of First Baptist Church in Pilot Mountain.

*Paul Willis* of Shelby received the master of arts degree from Appalachian on August 23.

*Faye Tunmire* has been appointed by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention as a missionary to the Philippine Islands. She is a Baylor and New Orleans Seminary graduate, and since 1954 has been a home missionary at Rachel Sims Mission in New Orleans.

*Joe Sherrill* is a state school bus safety inspector with headquarters in Bryson City.

*Mr. and Mrs. Zeb A. Lowery* (*Helyn Goode '47*) are living in Spartanburg, S. C., where Zeb is coach in District 6 in Spartanburg County. Helyn is a bank teller. They have a son, Jody, 4.

*Rev. John Worth Long* and *Rev. William Clyde Bearden '50* of Morganton leave Nov. 19 for Cuba to hold revival services the week of Nov. 25-30. They are expected to return to Morganton Dec. 3.

*Mr. and Mrs. Royce Gillespie* (*Betty High*) of Spartanburg, S. C., announce the birth of

a son, Joel Royce, on August 31. They also have two daughters, Myra, 4; and Miriam, 2.

### CLASS OF 1949

*Carolyn Jean Stroud Kirby* (Mrs. Floyd Jr.) is now living in Supply.

*Rev. John B. Hiott* accepted a call on August 26 as pastor of Byhalia Baptist Church, Byhalia, Miss. He is a graduate of Baylor and New Orleans Seminary, and was formerly youth director at First Baptist Church in Memphis, Tenn.

*Rev. and Mrs. James Holder* of Kings Mountain announce the birth of a son, James David, on July 21.

*Tyree Kiser* is field representative in the Public Relations Department at Western Carolina College.

*Mr. and Mrs. John Roberts* (*Helen Goodwin '48*) announce the birth of a son, Glenn Russell, August 19. John is a member of the Gardner-Webb faculty as associate director of public relations and editor of the *Alumni Quarterly*. He and Helen are Furman graduates and he is also a Peabody graduate. They have two other sons, Wayne, 5; and Mark, 2.

*Dwight Ware* is in his final year of study in the school of dentistry at Emory University, Atlanta, Ga.

*Norris "Pee Wee" Jones* is in his sixth year as head coach in Bryson City.

*Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hamrick* (*Carolyn Morris Rhyne*) announce the birth of a daughter on August 24.

*Lenora Bridges* of Charlotte is legal secretary in the law offices of Ralph C. Clontz, Jr.

*Dr. and Mrs. Cecil L. Thompson* of Morganton have been appointed by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention as missionaries to Argentina. Cecil is a Carson Newman and Southwestern Seminary graduate. He is married to the former Jean Ward of Bulls Gap, Tenn.

### CLASS OF 1950

*Rev. Paul Mull* is pastor of Barbersville Baptist Church near Warsaw.

## Life With The Alumni (Cont'd.)

*John H. Gamble, Jr.*, of Kings Mountain received the master of arts degree from Appalachian on August 23.

*Max Radford* of Danville, Va., works in the Dan River Mills there. He graduated from N. C. State College with a major in textiles. He and Mrs. Radford have three children—Max Jr., 3; Eric, 2; and Cynthia, 1 month.

*Rev. Don Cabaniss* is pastor of First Church in Grover. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College, and received a B. D. degree from New Orleans Seminary this spring.

### CLASS OF 1951

*Bob Whitlock* of Gastonia and Martha Calvard of Vilas were married August 25 in Gastonia. Bob is a member of Gastonia City Schools faculty. They are living in Bessemer City.

*Anna Stephens Weathers (Mrs. Douglas)* of Fuquay Springs is working for Carolina Power and Light Co. in Raleigh. Douglas works for an automobile agency in Angier. They have a daughter, Sherrie, 2.

*Rev. Howard Laney* is pastor of the Liberty Grove-Roaring River field in Brushy Mountain Association. He and Mrs. Laney have two children.

*Julius Pinkston* is a Wake Forest graduate and is an auditor in Charlotte.

*Vance Kirby* is working in Rhodiss.

*Wade Maxwell Harris, Jr.* of Mooresboro and Leona Grace Plastino of Spokane, Wash., are engaged to be married on December 27.

### CLASS OF 1952

*A. M. Kiser, Jr.* is coach and teacher at Boiling Springs High School. He and Mrs. Kiser have a son born on September 25.

*James Arthur Trantham* of Canton and *Carolyn Virginia Smithdeal* '56 of Mooresville were married July 29. They are living in Columbia, S. C., where he is minister of music at Hill Baptist Church.

*Harold Reese Honeycutt, Jr.*, received the master of arts degree from Appalachian on August 23.

*Betty Lou Hinson* is teaching the third grade at Brownfield Consolidated Independent School District in Brownfield, Texas.

*Amy Marianna Vance* was married recently to Harold M. Hilburn. She is a New Orleans Seminary graduate.

*Samuel Wayne Bingham* is doing chemical weed control research with the U.S.D.A. at Delta Branch Experiment Station in Stoneville, Miss. He filled this position August 15. He is married to the former Ruby Lee Prince. He received a B. S. in Agricultural Education and a M. S. in Field Crops at North Carolina State College.

*Janice Carolyn Wall* of Campobello, S. C., was married on August 19 to David Dair Kuykendall at Green Creek Baptist Church in Green Creek.

### CLASS OF 1953

*Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pope (Joan Tomblin)* of Winston-Salem announce the birth of a daughter, Teresa Anne, on September 6. Bob is a student at Wake Forest.

*Rev. Marvin Whisnant* has joined the Navy as a chaplain.

*Floy Ellen Cannon* of Belton, S. C., and *Samuel Paul Jones* of Shelby were married at Mt. Bethel Baptist Church near Belton on September 2. Floy is employed as secretary to the administrator of Anderson Memorial Hospital in Anderson, S. C. Sam is serving in the U. S. Air Force. They are living in Anderson.

*Joyce Ann Hamrick* is employed as editor of technical publications for Western Electric Corporation in Winston-Salem. She is a Meredith graduate, and did home mission work in Arizona in the summer of 1955. She recently sent a contribution to the Expansion Program at the College.

*Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Griffin, Jr. (Nancy Anthony)* have a son, Richrad Eugene, born June 30. They also have a small daughter, Angelia Faye. Nancy is secretary to the associate director of public relations at Gardner-Webb.



## Life With The Alumni (Cont'd.)

*Donald C. Elliott*, recently returned to the United States from service with the armed forces in England and received his discharge at Fort Jackson, S. C. He has gone to Raleigh with his family including his wife and little daughter, Audrey, to make their home. He is a rising senior at N. C. State College.

*Rev. William D. Byrd* is pastor of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Valdese. He is a graduate of New Orleans Seminary.

*Patricia Smith* of Lincolnton is an insurance underwriter.

*Richard Harrill* of Shelby is a student at Appalachian.

*Ruth Secrest* of Charlotte is a bookkeeper at Wachovia Bank.

*Joyce Dover* is a secretary at Southern Bell in Shelby.

*Sue Suggs* of Charlotte works in the Baptist Book Store.

*Joan Rogers* and *Charles Owen Dudley* were married Saturday, November 17 in Main Street Baptist Church in Jacksonville, Florida.

*Betty Ledford* is teaching school in Oklahoma.

### CLASS OF 1954

*Betty Jean Emmett* of Gastonia and *John Jackson Knox, Jr.*, of Clover, S. C., were married on August 12 in East Baptist Church in Gastonia. Betty is teaching at Hickory Junior High School and John is a member of the junior class at Lenoir Rhyne College.

*Ray Conrad Goforth* of Grover and *Janet Paige* of Shelby pledged marriage vows on August 12 at Eastside Baptist Church in Shelby. Ray is now a senior at the University of South Carolina, where he is a member of Pi Kappa Alpha.

*Dot Stubblefield* is a student at Carson Newman College.

*Jo Williams* is working in Gastonia.

*Evelyn Carswell* is practice teaching at Cool Springs High School in Forest City. She is teaching home economics and science.

*Mr. and Mrs. John Andrews (Peggy Reavis)* announce the birth of a daughter, *Alyce Camille*, on September 10.

*Doris Harkey* of Lincolnton is secretary at Bituminous Casualty Corp.

*Helen Stinson* is a graduate of Appalachian and is teaching at the North Carolina School for the Deaf in Morganton.

*Linda Earp* of Boomer is a graduate of Appalachian and is a primary teacher.

*Nada Hester* of Marion is a graduate of Appalachian and is a grammar grade teacher.

*Dennis Georgian* is studying at Clemson College.

*Lewis Charlie Toney* of Mooresboro was named to the 1956-57 dean's list at North Carolina State College. He has made an average of "B" or above since enrolling in the institution.

### CLASS OF 1955

*Jimmy N. Gamble* of Shelby was one of the student marshals for the graduation exercises at Appalachian in August.

*Lloyd Whitley* is stock manager at Ketner's Supermarket in Albemarle.

*Ned G. Johnson* of Shelby and *Ruth Joyner* of Louisburg are planning to be married in December.

*Mr. and Mrs. Jack Creech (Valeria Banning '54)* are living in Charlotte. Jack is working for American Trust Co. and Valeria is a housewife. They have a small son, Bobby.

*Phyl Henderson* is taking a religious education course at the University of Richmond, Norfolk Division, and is also young people's recreation director at Trinity Baptist Church in Norfolk.

*Lewis Clark Jackson* of Cramerton and *Beverly Ward* of Florida were united in marriage at First Baptist Church in Charlotte on August 25. Lewis is a senior at N. C. State College and Beverly is secretary to the North Carolina Secretary of State.

*Rev. Gwyn P. Sullivan* lives near Lenoir, where he is pastor of Mulvale Baptist Church.

*Rev. Raymond C. Needham* is pastor of Deep Springs Baptist Church, Stoneville, and is a senior at Wake Forest College.

*Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jimison* announce the birth of a daughter, *Kimberly Dawn*, on September 14. Ray is a reporter for the *Gastonia Gazette*.

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## 25 Co-Eds Honored As Homecoming Sponsors

Irva Smith was crowned Homecoming Queen in halftime ceremonies October 27 when Gardner-Webb's football team played, and defeated by 33-7, the Lees McRae Bobcats.

Miss Smith, a sophomore business education major from Gastonia, was elected in a secret ballot by the members of the football squad. Her attendants were Faye Branch of Valdese and Cordie Hardin of Belmont, both of whom are also sophomore business students.

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## An Inside View Of The New Dormitory

Old grads who have been through the new dormitory for girls find it hard to believe that the building is so elaborate. They generally agree that the crowning touch is in the furnishings.

The residence rooms are furnished in one of three furniture patterns: limed oak, blond mahogany, or chestnut brown. The furniture is modern in design and includes twin beds, bedside table, two study desks and lamps, and two dressers. Other features of the rooms are double casement windows, vinyl floors, double closets with sliding doors, and lavatory facilities.

The furnishings were selected by a committee from the trustees including Paul Broyhill of Lenoir, Carson Stout of High Point, and S. Bruce Hildebrand of Marion, all furniture manufacturers.

Each hall in the dormitory has a reading room, two bathrooms, storage space, and a laundry room. The first floor has a spacious lobby, office, dean of women's apartment, kitchenette, and guest rooms in addition to the residence areas. In the basement is a utility room and recreation area. The structure is fireproof, and its architectural design conforms to the other new buildings on the campus.

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## New Trustees Appointed

Seven new trustees were officially appointed to the college board this month by the Baptist State Convention. The new trustees will take office on January 1 and will remain on the board for four years.

Appointed were former Congressman Woodrow Jones of Rutherfordton, the Rev. Wilburn T. Hendrix of Gastonia, Joe T. Moore of Belmont, Arnold W. Kincaid of Kings Mountain, Clifford E. Hamrick of Boiling Springs, John Z. McBrayer

## Boiling Springs Runs Dry

Never before in its existence has the town of Boiling Springs been so widely publicized as in late September when the giant spring ceased to flow.

Newspaper, radio, and television publicity made much mention of the town that had lost its namesake.

Actually, the incident received less attention in Boiling Springs than elsewhere. The spring ceased to flow on Sept. 17, and within a few days became a stagnant hole. Several of the townspeople came onto the campus and looked at the sight after reading of it in the papers.

Hurricane Flossie restored the spring in a hurry on Sept. 25, dumping over seven inches of water on Boiling Springs in a 48 hour period. The spring is now flowing in full force and even "boils" white sand up from its underground source.

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of Mooresboro, and Dr. S. A. Wilson of Lincolnton. The Convention also has confirmed the appointment of David L. Allen of Hickory who is filling the unexpired term of the late Fred D. Caldwell of Maiden.

All of the newly appointed trustees are Gardner-Webb alumni with the exception of Mr. Jones and Mr. Moore. Rev. Hendrix is of the class of 1942, Mr. Kincaid graduated in 1926, Mr. Hamrick in 1922, Mr. McBrayer in 1936, and Dr. Wilson in 1932. Mr. Allen is also an alumnus, in the class of 1924 as was the late Mr. Caldwell.

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The Dover Memorial Library, erected in 1953, houses over 11,000 volumes. The basement floor, currently used for classrooms, can also be converted to library space, giving the building room for up to 75,000 volumes.

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The clinic is slated for expansion in the coming months. A proposed wing across the back will give the building much added hospital and office space.



# Across The Desk

By John Roberts, QUARTERLY Editor

In the midst of a hastily rearranged Homecoming schedule caused by rain, the planned open house in the new dormitory was almost crowded out. Miss Doris Jones, dean of women, was most cooperative and received visitors preceding the football game, however. The dormitory is almost too attractive to be true according to girls of recent years who are now enrolled at various senior colleges. Without exception they said the rooms in our new dormitory are superior in comfort and furnishings to those at their present schools.

Irvin Spake, class of 1921, remarked at a recent football game that the Bulldogs have come a long way since the day of Pop Simmons. It was Simmons, you recall, who captained our first team to a 6-0 win over Gaffney 34 years ago. Spake says he supposes the new gym will offer better facilities for basketball than the old outdoor court of the 1920's. Paul Vaughan of Shelby, '29, recalls a game with Fallston on the old outdoor court.

"It was freezing cold, and the rocky ground was hard on bare knees," he says.

Prof. Stephen Morrisett is back in his Bible and Greek classes after a year of study and travel in Europe. He says getting acquainted with an entirely new student body is almost like taking a new job. "Only the surroundings are familiar," says the professor.

Julian Hamrick resigned effective November 1 after three and one-half years as business manager. He has opened offices in Shelby as a certified public accountant. Prof. Eugene Vosecky of the business department is act-

ing in the position until a permanent successor can be named.

In traveling about the Carolinas we have come to realize the two states are studded with Gardner-Webb alumni. On a recent jaunt to Winston-Salem some 25 or 30 former students were seen at Wake Forest, along with Dr. Robert A. Dyer, now on the Wake Forest faculty.

Jim Whittington, '49, was seen chatting with a prospective insurance client recently in Lincolnton.

Norris "Pee Wee" Jones, '49, now in his sixth year of coaching at Bryson City, had divided loyalties at the recent Gardner-Webb-Mars Hill football game in Shelby. Several of his "boys" were playing against his Alma Mater.

Exactly one year elapsed between moving of the first and last spadeful of earth in construction of the new dormitory for girls. Ground breaking was on October 9, 1955, when Sen. Sam J. Ervin, Jr. was the speaker. The contractor's cleanup crew completed clearing the grounds around the building on October 9, 1956.

Added to the Bulldogs' Hall of Fame this year might be Jim Johnson and Paul Roberts. They join such greats as J. T. Davis of last year, Carroll "Rubberlegs" Raines of ten years ago, Roy Lee Connor of 20 years ago, and Pop Simmons of three decades past.

Among Founders Day visitors recently were Mrs. J. D. Huggins, widow of the school's founder; the Rev. John W. Suttle who has been a trustee and friend for half a century; and Mrs. O. Max Gardner, whose late husband was the col-

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lege's great benefactor.

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Recruiting students has become a highly organized business among virtually all colleges, with a special day set aside when as many as 100 representatives of the various colleges visit a given high school. Despite any organized efforts, however, nobody influences prospective students more than alumni. You can direct high school graduates our way more readily than can our own personnel.

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With the new dormitory just completed and work starting on the physical education plant, it looks like we will have construction in progress for another year. President Elliott says he hopes the sound of hammers and machines will never cease until we have a plant adequate for our needs.

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Prof. Hubert Dixon, now in his twenty-second year, has captivated another set of students with his dry wit and subtle jokes. This year he has opportunity to air his humor before the entire student body as he presides at all chapel programs.

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The Rev. James L. Jenkins, president of the college in the 1930's and pastor of the Boiling Springs Baptist Church for a quarter century, was on hand for Founders Day and Homecoming festivities and offered the dedicatory prayer at groundbreaking for the new physical education plant.

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Your editor sat in on a conversation a few nights ago with two lifelong Boiling Springs residents, James O. Hamrick and Byron Wilson. Settled comfortably around the wood range in Byron's kitchen, our conversation drifted back to the old days at Gardner-Webb, and after a few minutes they were engrossed in events of the days before my time. Snatches of their talk went like this:

J. O.: "Remember the time back around 1936 when I had that fast little horse and dad's old buggy? I was down at the college one Sunday and let Cassie Crowe and Quessie Hunt borrow it for a ride. The horse ran away and we had to run it down with John Blanton's car. When we got the horse stopped the girls were crying to beat all."

Byron: "That was the same horse that got Rachel Huggins' (daughter of Prof. and Mrs. J. D. Huggins and now Mrs. Karl Hedrick) head hurt, wasn't it?"

J. O.: "Yes. She was riding on the back of the buggy when the horse jumped and she fell off. Her feet were caught and her head hit the road. Sure a good thing the roads weren't paved then."

Byron: "That reminds me of the big snow around 1925, or was it 1930? Anyway, Charles J. Hamrick and I took two big farm sleighs up to the college and gave all the students a sleigh ride. Miss Curtis (dean of women for over 25 years) stood out there in the snow for hours to keep an eye on her girls."

The conversation drifted on to Gertrude the cook, who came shortly after the school opened and stayed until 1944; to life in the "Barn" as the old dormitory for boys was known; to boyish pranks pulled on Prof. O. P. Hamrick who taught at the college from 1914 to 1939; and to various other incidents in the early years at the college.

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The Gardner-Webb Clinic, owned and operated by the college for college and community use, treats an average of 1,500 hospital patients annually. The doctors treat an additional 15,000 to 18,000 out-patients each year.

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College Biology has been taught continuously since the institution became a college in 1928.



## Dr. Stembridge Resigns As Director Of Expansion Program — Felix Hamrick Named Successor

Dr. H. Hansel Stembridge, Jr., director of the Golden Anniversary expansion program since its inception in late 1954, submitted his resignation on November 1. He is leaving Forest City's First Baptist Church to become pastor of the First Baptist Church in Lynchburg, Va.

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### Most Local Students Choose Gardner-Webb

A recent survey shows that of 130 students graduated from Shelby High School last spring, 56 are now in college.

Of more interest to our alumni and friends is the fact that of those 56 in college, 31 are at Gardner-Webb. This means that over 55 per cent of Shelby's college freshmen are at Gardner-Webb.

The percentage changes little in Cleveland, Rutherford, and Gaston counties, all of which send more of their students to Gardner-Webb than to any other college.

Our students come from 39 counties and nine states and we are proud to be so well represented. We are also proud to be of such extensive service to our immediate area.

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### Close Bonds Felt With Local Area

Old grads on the scene are delighted to know that Gardner-Webb and nearby Shelby have an ever-growing interest in each other's affairs.

Of seasonal interest is the fact that the college will have three entries in Shelby's Christmas parade on November 30. The college band will march, a trailer truck float will carry a group of carolers, and a girl elected as "Miss Gardner-Webb" will ride in a convertible.

Named to succeed Dr. Stembridge as director of the expansion program is Felix Hamrick, who has been his associate for the past 14 months. The expansion program is centered around the half-centennial year, and will operate through October, 1957.

The Golden Anniversary expansion program was adopted by the board of trustees three years ago, and a goal of \$1,750,000 was set. This includes an anticipated \$500,000 from the Baptist state convention. Of the remainder, some \$250,000 in cash and pledges has been raised.

The new dormitory for girls was completed in October at a cost of \$240,000, including all furnishings. Contracts were let October 17 and ground was broken October 27 for a new physical education building and swimming pool. The structures are expected to be in use by next fall.

The contracts involve \$227,000 for the building and \$29,000 for the pool. Plans are to finance the building through Christian Education Day offerings, individual contributions, and capital outlay allocations from the Baptist State Convention.

Other evidence of mutual interest include the large number of Shelby civic groups that meet for banquets in the college cafeteria, and the ever-growing interest shown in Gardner-Webb's cultural and athletic events.

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Gardner-Webb has had various student newspapers since 1912. The PILOT, present student newspaper, has been printed monthly since 1945.



## Bulldogs Produce Wins For Successful Season

The Bulldogs, as we go to press, have won six football games while losing only two. They face Wingate College and Georgia Military School in the only remaining games.

They started the season by lowering Ferrum College 20-0, and followed on home soil the next week by defeating the Appalachian Jayvees 20-0. Then the formidable Lees McRae Bobcats downed the Bulldogs by a score of 17-13. The Gardner-Webb team came back to defeat Hargraves 21-18 before falling to arch rival Mars Hill by 18-21. A defeat handed Wingate put the Bulldogs back on their feet, however.

Homecoming found the Bulldogs growling for revenge, and they succeeded in conquering Lees McRae by 33-7. They continued their victory march Nov. 3 by downing the Mars Hill Lions 20-13.

Nothing definite has developed yet, but Gardner-Webb is under consideration for a Kiwanis charity bowl bid in California. It's a lot to expect, but even being considered is nice.

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## For Greater Interest In The Quarterly

Our staff very carefully and zealously gathers news of our alumni by reading a number of papers and by checking personally with former students.

We cannot do an adequate job, however, without your help. We appeal to you to keep us posted on any changes in your address, and let us know any news of your work, your family, and your former classmates.

Your co-operation and interest will result in a better QUARTERLY for your enjoyment.

## Roberts To Direct Anniversary Festivities

A joint meeting of the trustees' executive committee and the Golden Anniversary steering committee on November 1 appointed John Roberts to direct and co-ordinate all activities and celebrations of the Golden Anniversary year.

Roberts, director of college publicity, will execute plans of a three man committee including the college president and members of the board of trustees.

Special festivities of the half-centennial year will center around commencement time and the Founders Day celebration of next October. The Kings Mountain and Sandy Run Baptist Associations, co-founders of the college, will meet jointly on the campus in October, probably using as their assembly hall the new gymnasium, which converts into an auditorium seating 3,000 people. Various other special activities are proposed for the Golden Anniversary year, which will be announced as details are completed.

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## Teachers Meet At College

Gardner-Webb was host on November 8 to the Cleveland County Conference of Social Studies Teachers.

The group of some 50 teachers and principals meet annually at the college for a discussion of mutual problems and teaching methods. They are headed by Mrs. Avis Peeler of Belwood as president.

Dr. D. J. Whitener, dean of Appalachian State Teachers College and professor of social studies addressed the group on "Use of Local Resources in the Teaching of Social Studies."